

Fair Name of France in Danger of Blot From Introduction of Boxing in Cadet Schools

FRANCE SUBSTITUTING BOXING FOR DUELING

Rising Generation to Learn Pugilism Instead of Sword and Pistol Fighting—Washington Needs Bill Otey's Southpaw Delivery.

By THOMAS S. RICE.

Looks like the boys were getting practice in how to sink the trusty Ozark in the channel, a la Hobson, when cruel war is upon the land. If so, it was a fine and valuable cruise.

It must give exceeding pain to the tender souls in this country who are spending so much of their time and money opposing prizefights and obtaining so much publicity which they detest—not to learn that the French military authorities are attempting to start instruction in boxing in the cadet institutions in France. The object is to compel the hot-blooded Gauls hereafter to settle their little affairs of honor with padded gloves in a padded ring, rather than with swords and pistols. The sheer brutality of compelling young men who have hitherto been accustomed to sticking one another through the liver when the ice cream happened to drop down the back of a perfect lady at a garrison ball or cadet hop, to "degrade and disgrace," "brutalize," etc., themselves and "bring shame upon the fair name of France" by smashing each other in the nose with a soft glove, is deplorable, brethren. Let us rise up in our indignation and send a resolution of ministers to Paris to protest against this reversion to barbarism. Let us start a postal card campaign against it, that the French nation may be spared the lasting blot upon its reputation for decency and civilization. Let us demand, and let all our sisters demand, that the boxing glove which reduces man to the level of the beast, be kept out of the French armory, and that the young men therein continue to shoot one another full of holes or stick one another through the stomach with rapier, over minor disagreements, that in this lost and undone country would be settled by a sudden and relieving exchange of wal-lons to the jaw—and be forgotten in a day or two. A great duty confronts us. The French nation is in deadly peril of taking a step backward. It is not of our business, but we will make it so. We hope there will be a large and liberal outpouring of the brethren at a meeting we shall hold in the near future to record our sentiments and raise funds for the prosecution of this noble work.

We are already treasurer of the International Association for the Suppression of Jokes about Alexandria, but are willing to give up more of our valuable time to act as treasurer for the International League Against the Substitution of the Demolition of the Glorious Sword and Pistol in French Military Duels. We promise faithfully to see that the usual 2 per cent of the collections are devoted to the advancement of the cause.

Two games in St. Louis today. Weather clear. Game yesterday postponed by rain.

Let us not be cast down because St. Louis has taken two games and is running without a single break. With the number of crumples it has on its list the Washington team is lucky to win at all. Probably the worst blow in the crippling line is the injury to Gray. The theory is that he was left-handed against St. Louis and Detroit whenever possible, and against Cleveland and Chicago on general principle. Now the only southpaw on the staff is Bill Otey, who has been sick of a fever, and has not yet had a chance to demonstrate whether he can deliver the goods even if he were in the best of health and spirits. Bill cut some ice in the Virginia League, and they are all thinking so well of himself that he hocus-pocused Win Clark, of Norfolk, into releasing him. Bill thinks that and what McAleer and the fans will think are two different matters.

Rending the District Naval Militia down the bay on a worthless monitor with her decks awash and her keel on the mud most of the time is a fine way to attract recruits.

The New York writers are greatly grieved over the failure of Christy Mathewson to beat the Chicago Cubs.

BOXING NOTES.

W. H. Roca has been selected to referee the bout in Philadelphia between Joe Grim and Jack Fitzgerald, the Irish champion.

Matt Wells, the recently arrived English lightweight, has been matched to box Paddy Sullivan at the Olympic Athletic Club, in Philadelphia, next Monday night.

The bout between Frank Mantell and the Dixie Kid at the Olympic Club on Monday night in Philadelphia drew the biggest crowd the club ever had. Later reports of the match say that the Dixie Kid had the better of it.

The fact that Ty Cobb, the Philadelphia boxer, was offered a match with Jimmy Dunn or Young Britt in Baltimore for next Tuesday shows that Cobb was not beaten in the bout with Dougherty on Monday night, as some reports had it," says Manager Johnny Spigola.

The two big boxing clubs in New York are again to clash on August 12, both having "bouts" for the district. For the C. R. Burke has Tony Ross and Jim Smith for his card, while the Fairmount has Ketchel and Lang, of Australia, in the main event.

Tommy Mowatt, the Chicago boxer, has quit the ring and is now going to try his hand in politics. He is a candidate for the Legislature from the Windy City.

Billy Griffiths and Russell Van Horn, the Ohio boxers, have quit the ring, and are now employed as railroad detectives.

GENERAL SPORTS.

E. Lungli, the Italian runner, who made a world's record for the half mile of 1:52 4-5 at Montreal in 1909, which was beaten by Mel Sheppard last Saturday, was beaten by Braun, of Germany, at Budapest, a short time ago. Braun won the half-mile championship a year ago. Budapest won the quarter-mile race in 49 3-5 seconds. Lungli being badly beaten. The pair met again following day in a 1,000-meter race, but the Italian again met defeat.

W. G. Collins, president of the San Francisco Motorcycle Club, will represent that organization at the annual federation endurance run, which ends in Philadelphia, August 11. It will be part of the annual championship contests.

The three Spanish motor boats, the Ghothe, the Papoose and the Mosquito II, that have been selected to meet the American boats in the international race at Montevideo this month are expected to arrive in New York from the Spanish steamship Montevideo August 11.

This Veteran Has Been Coming Back



W.D. CONROY, Washington Player Who Can Put Up Good Game in Any Position.

CHARLEY CARR ILL; ANOTHER RUMOR ROASTED BY FANS OF NEW CIRCUIT

Indianapolis Manager Sticking to His Work, With All the Way From Frisco Comes Tale of Twelve-Club League.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Aug. 4.—The anvil chorus is busy at Washington Park. Most of the fans are armed with great big hammers and all of the players are in for their share of abuse. Manager Carr comes in for most of the knocks, and he has been forced to reply to several of the fans whose remarks have been very insulting.

If the men who have vent their spite and cheap wit on Carr were in as crippled condition as he, they would be in bed with a trained nurse waiting on them. Carr has one foot in very bad condition and the doctor has advised him to get out of the game, but he refuses to desert the team when it is so badly in need of his services.

The knackers are also hard on the trail of big Slimmy Murch and the continued abuse is affecting the big fellow's play. It is true that the team has been playing poor ball, but knocking by the fans will not help the players any, though a little encouragement might go a long way toward getting them to play better.

Manager Carr has always been noted as a great finisher, and it may be that he will get the team going soon and finish in the first division. At least, we hope so.

Adrian is playing great ball in the South Michigan League.

"Cy" Young is using the spit ball more often this season than he has ever before and with success.

Speaker is close behind Cobb and Bush as run-getters in the American League.

Speaker don't look the part, but he has made six home runs for the Boston Red Sox this year.

Not a single member of the Chicago White Sox is hitting over the .200 mark.

Baker was the Athletics' heavy stickler when they beat Chicago yesterday. Baker connected for two hits, one a double, making both of Philadelphia's runs. In the last inning on Melton's miscue, Baker brought in the last score.

Johnny Kling is boosting his hitting average daily and is now hitting around .282.

Tinker is playing sensationally at short for the Chicago Cubs.

Leroy, the Indian pitcher, formerly with the Hindlers, is in Indianapolis down without a hit for St. Paul at Indianapolis, the Saints winning, 4 to 2. Leroy did not issue a pass.

"Chief" Bender allowed the Sox three hits.

Pitcher Crabbie of the Galveston Club has reported to the Brooklyn team.

Frank Owen, formerly pitcher for the White Sox, was traded by Toledo for "Wild Bill" Kaskie, pitcher of Kansas City.

Four double plays figured in yesterday's game between Philadelphia and the Chicago White Sox.

Gardner made New York's only runs yesterday against Cleveland one in the second, the other in the seventh.

"I think I am on the right road," says Clark Griffith of the Cincinnati Reds. "This base running is bound to win and

AUSTRALIA STRONG FOR BOXING GAME

Natives Can't Get Enough of It, But Demand Classy Bouts.

Harry Rickard, the well-known proprietor of Australian music halls and variety theaters, is on his annual visit to England in search of attractions. In conversation with a Sporting Life representative, he expressed the view that there was a boxing boom in Australia, but they would not be put off with mediocre exhibitions. What they wanted was the best men, and they must put in their best work.

"When Tommy Burns and Jack Johnson met in Australia there was tremendous interest in the contest, and immediately it was over I engaged Johnson at \$200 per week and Burns at \$225 per week for my halls, but, of course, they did not appear in the same place on the same night," said the Rickard.

"I found that both drew very big houses until Johnson got in Western Australia, and the people there would not go to look at him. There is a feeling to some extent there, and that explains why they stayed away. The result was that I was a heavy loser."

Burns a Great Card. "Burns was an enormous draw everywhere, and he put on a great show at ball punching, skipping, shadow boxing, and finishing up with four two-minute rounds with the gloves. I have nothing but praise for Burns for the manner in which he carried out his contract with me. I gave Burns, Fitzsimmons, and Bill Lang, the Australian champion, a good send-off at the Trivoli Theatre, Sydney, prior to their departure for America to see the Johnson-Jeffries contest."

There are big boxing matches in the Sydney Stadium every Wednesday night, and there are boxing bouts every Tuesday night at the Gaiety Athletic Club, run by the old boxer, Charlie Campbell. The sporting fraternity over there do not seem as if they can get enough of it, for they are very keen on boxing just now. It is astounding what large crowds patronize it.

Summers Has Hoodoo. "We have had several famous boxers out there of late, including Johnny Summers, who has had exceedingly bad luck. Just before the date of one match that was arranged he was taken ill, and this meant an enforced postponement. Just before another of his matches he was opening a window and it came down on his fingers and smashed them. He beat H. McKeegan, the well-known Australian boxer, in five straight bouts, and the twelfth or thirteenth round the rain came down in torrents, and I was fortunate enough to find shelter in the press box. The contestants kept at work, and Summers won on his merits, but the atrocious weather gave him an attack of sciatica, which threw him out of the game."

Wrestling is not in popular favor in Australia just now. I took Hackenschmidt out some three or four years ago, but he was taken ill, and had to go into a hospital. He afterward toured the halls, but the wrestling did not "catch on" as I expected it would. He has been out there again lately, giving shows at the town halls, but I do not think there was a big rush to see him. The Australian fans are not as keen on the more vigorous and determined work is the better they like it. That is my experience."

Those behind the movement besides Mr. Butler are Herman Fehr, of St. Louis, J. Wittig, of Milwaukee; H. H. Martell, of Brooklyn, H. C. Meyer, of New York; James Fennessy, of Cincinnati; Col. H. H. Whalen, of Louisville; and the Edwards Amusement Company, of Boston.

The cities in which clubs are to be placed are New York, Boston, Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, Cincinnati, Chicago, Louisville, Cleveland, St. Louis, Kansas City, Milwaukee, and St. Paul. Mr. Butler is authority for the statement that options on sites have already been secured in St. Louis, Chicago, New York, and Cleveland.

CLEVELAND GETS KALER.

CLEVELAND, Aug. 4.—The Cleveland American League club today announced that it had obtained Pitcher Kaler from Columbus, of the American Association. He will report as soon as the Columbus club can spare him.

Archer's batting won the game for Cubs. On a triple in the fifth, he scored Tinker. In the seventh, Schulte scored on Archer's sacrifice fly. The third run Archer made himself.

Bert Cunningham, the old-time Chicago National League pitcher and later one of the umpires on Harry Pulliam's staff, has won nineteen games and lost one this season with the Clearing (Ill.) team. The veteran still has as much cunning as ever.

Rumors have had it that this is Harry Steinfield's last year with the Cubs. Then Manager Chance must have some whirlwind lined up for duty on the far corner next season.

Tinker made the only two-bagger in New York Giants-Chicago Cubs game.

Sweeney won the first game for Boston in yesterday's battles with Cincinnati. He battled for Frock in the seventh, connected for a single, and scored.

Cleveland has purchased Outfielder Joe Jackson from New Orleans. Jackson's present batting average is .382. He has made nineteen triples and thirteen two-baggers, in addition to putting in a splendid game in the outfield and stealing thirty-five bases. Down in Dixie they think he is a far better man than Bristol Lord, and the equal of Tris Speaker. He is a star thrower, and lines the ball in like a shot. He is a left-handed thrower and batter.

Paron's only hit, a two-bagger, brought in the White Sox's only run in the seventh inning.

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